vate Sector. In case more than one application is received from any zone of operation, priority will be given to the application received earlier. However, in such cases also, preference will be given to the Co-operative Sector, followed by the Public Sector and the Private Sector, in that order, even through the applications of the first two sectors may be of a later data.

(6) Priority will continuaeto be given to sugar factories with capacity less than 2500 TCD to expand to the aforesaid minimum economic capacity.

(7) While granting licences for new units and expansion projects, the additional capacity to be created up to the end of the Eight plan, i.e. 1996 - 97, will be kept in view.

(8) While grating licences for new sugar factories, industrial licences in respect of down-stream units for the use of molasses i.e. industrial alcohal etc. will be given readily.

B. Applications for licences will be initially screened by the Screening Committee of the Ministry of Food, while considering such applications, the comments of the State Governments/Union Territory Administration concerned would also be obtained. The State Government/Union Territory Administration would be required to furnish their comments within 3 months of the receipt of communication from the Ministry of Food.

C. Application for grant of industrial licences for the establishment of new sugar factories as will as expansion of existing units should be submitted directly to the Secretariat for Industrial Approvals in the Department of Industrial Development in From IL alongwith the prescribed fee of Rs.2500/-. A copy of the application may also be sent to Ministry of Food.

D. The procedure and guidelines, as given above, are brought to the notice of the entrepreneurs for their information and guidance.

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Deputy Secretary to the Govt of India.

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Production capacity of Bharat Opthalmic Glass

33. SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government are considering proposals for modernising and enhancing the production capacity of Bharat opthalmic Glass Ltd. at Durgapur, West Bengal; and

(b) if so, since when and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P.K THUNGON): (a) and (b). Modernisation being a continuous process various proposals to enhance the production of Bharat Opthalmi Glass Limited at Durgapur through modernsation, renewal, replacement etc. are being worked out. No concrete proposal has as yet emerged.